GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Grading System by NAAC
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) is tweaking its grading system to ensure that top institutions do not share the same grade as ones that are below them in quality;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the National Assessment and Accreditation Council has any proposal to shift to a seven point grading system instead of a four point system;
(d) if so, the details thereof; and
(e) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)
(a) to (e): The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has informed that it has reviewed and revised its grading system from a four grade system to a seven grade system. More number of letter grades within the same CGPA range will lead to further differentiation in quality of accredited institutions. The details of the revised grading system, being implemented from 1st July, 2016 onwards, are as follows:
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CGPA Letter Grade Status
3.76 − 4.00 A++ Accredited
3.51 − 3.75 A+ Accredited
3.01 − 3.50 A Accredited
2.76 − 3.00 B++ Accredited
2.51 − 2.75 B+ Accredited
2.01 − 2.50 B Accredited
1.51 − 2.00 C Accredited
= 1.50 D Not Accredited
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The NAAC has further informed that the present system of descriptors for letter grades, i.e., Very Good, Good, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, has been discontinued in the revised grading system.
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